

For: The Insurance and Real Estate Committee
From: Martin Wiosna
Subject: House Bill 6656

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Good Day,

I am writing in today in opposition of CT House Bill 6656, requiring the liability insurance for possession of firearms within the State of Connecticut.

This bill on its face is a violation of the Connecticut Constitution Section 15, which guarantees all citizens (barring felons) the possession of arms. No where in section 15 or any other section does our state constitution allow for additional conditions or restrictions on such possession by common citizens. Having the Commissioner of Insurance for the state adopt regulations and criteria violates due process and can and will make further infringements on Section 15 via an administrative process which bypasses the legislature and the public. All Commissioners in the state are appointed and do the bidding of the Governor, who has publicly shown on numerous occasions his will to undermine due process and the rights of the people. No policy is permissible that violates constitutionally protected rights.

This commission should also consider when rejecting this bill that no empirical evidence or research has been submitted to show how this bill would reduce any gun violence or crime. It place burden on lawful citizens and completely ignores the criminal element. Based on the lack of evidence this bill should not leave this committee. Based on numerous violations of the state and U.S. Constitutions this bill should not leave this committee.

It should also be noted that the insurance industry has rejected the notion that it should be forced to insure firearms owners for this purpose and has openly said that it should never be used as a tool of imposing gun control on law abiding citizens.

I thank you for your time in allowing us to solicit our input on this bill and thank you in advance for following your oath and protecting our rights.

Respectfully

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